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Security Council

10 a.m.	5782nd meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina

   Letter dated 5 November 2007 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2007/651)

Morning[1]	5783rd meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Great Lakes region

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the 5782nd meeting.

General Assembly

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Informal consultations of the whole on a draft resolution related to the Follow-up International Conference on Financing for Development

Morning[1]	3rd meeting (closed)	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.	4th meeting (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber

[1]Following the adjournment of the briefing by the Secretary-General.

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There will be an informal meeting to hear a briefing by the Secretary-General on climate change and other issues, *today*, 21 November 2007, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. *Member States are invited to participate at the ambassadorial level.*

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General Assembly
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Commemorative high-level plenary meeting devoted to the follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children (11-12 December 2007)

The list of speakers for the plenary meetings of the Commemorative high-level plenary meeting devoted to the follow-up to the outcome of the special session on children is open. Delegations wishing to participate in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the List of Speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (room S-2940B; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063; fax 1 (212) 963-3783; e-mail dizon@un.org).

Delegations are further reminded that statements should not exceed seven minutes each.

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Main Committees

Third Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 51st meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

3–6 p.m. 52nd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

1. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [70 (c)]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/62/L.51

2. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions . . . . . [42]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/62/L.82

3. Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly . . . . . [62 (a)]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/62/L.10/Rev.1

4. Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family . . . . . [62 (b)]

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/62/L.4 and A/C.3/62/L.7/Rev.1

5. Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action . . . . . [68 (b)]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/62/L.61

6. Right of peoples to self-determination . . . . . [69]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/62/L.62

7. Implementation of human rights instruments . . . . . [70 (a)]

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/62/L.26/Rev.1 (and amendment contained in document A/C.3/62/L.27)

8. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms . . . . . [70 (b)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.3/62/L.30/Rev.1, A/C.3/62/L.33/Rev.1 (and amendment contained in document A/C.3/62/L.88), A/C.3/62/L.34/Rev.1, A/C.3/62/L.42 and A/C.3/62/L.53/Rev.1

Fifth Committee

10–10.30 a.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 128 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009: Revised estimates relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 under sections 17, 20, 21, 27, 28C, 28D, 28E, 28F and 28G to ensure operational preparedness and business continuity in a protracted human influenza pandemic crisis (A/62/328, A/62/7/Add.1 and A/62/7/Add.1/Corr.1))

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 128 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009:

(A/62/6 (Introduction), A/62/6 (Introduction)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 1), A/62/6 (Sect. 2), A/62/6 (Sect. 3), A/62/6 (Sect. 4), A/62/6 (Sect. 4)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 5), A/62/6 (Sect. 6), A/62/6 (Sect. 7), A/62/6 (Sect. 8), A/62/6 (Sect. 8)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 9), A/62/6 (Sect. 10), A/62/6 (Sect. 11), A/62/6 (Sect. 12), A/62/6 (Sect. 12)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 13), A/62/6 (Sect. 14), A/62/6 (Sect. 15), A/62/6 (Sect. 16), A/62/6 (Sect. 17), A/62/6 (Sect. 18), A/62/6 (Sect. 19), A/62/6 (Sect. 19)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 20), A/62/6 (Sect. 21), A/62/6 (Sect. 22), A/62/6 (Sect. 23), A/62/6 (Sect. 23)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 24), A/62/6 (Sect. 24)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 25), A/62/6 (Sect. 26), A/62/6 (Sect. 27), A/62/6 (Sect. 28), A/62/6 (Sect. 28A), A/62/6 (Sect. 28A)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 28B), A/62/6 (Sect. 28B)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 28C), A/62/6 (Sect. 28C)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 28D), A/62/6 (Sect. 28E), A/62/6 (Sect. 28E)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 28E)/Corr.2, A/62/6 (Sect. 28F), A/62/6 (Sect. 28G), A/62/6 (Sect. 29), A/62/6 (Sect. 29)/Corr.1, A/62/6 (Sect. 30), A/62/6 (Sect. 31), A/62/6 (Sect. 32), A/62/6 (Sect. 33), A/62/6 (Sect. 34), A/62/6 (Sect. 35), A/62/6 (Income Sect. 1), A/62/6 (Income Sect. 2) and A/62/6 (Income Sect. 3));

Section 33, Safety and security, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 (A/62/91);

Consolidated report on the changes to the biennial programme plan as reflected in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 (A/62/80, A/62/80/Corr.1, A/62/80/Corr.2, A/62/80/Corr.3 and A/62/80/Add.1);

Experience of the utilization of the contingency fund (A/62/229);

Reports of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/62/7, A/62/7/Corr.1 and A/62/349); and

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/62/16 (Chap. III B)))

4–6 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 128 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009: Capital master plan project (A/62/364, A/62/364/Corr.1, A/62/5 (Vol. V), A/62/281 (Part I) (paras. 72 to 75), A/62/7/Add.4 and A/62/7/Add.4/Corr.1))

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

1. United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad
2. United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi

Peacebuilding Commission
Second session

Burundi configuration

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Informal meeting (open) . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

General Assembly
Sixty-second session

Informal consultations on agenda item 71 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance) and its sub-items (a) to (c) and agenda item 72 (Assistance to survivors of the 1994 genocide in Rwanda, particularly orphans, widows and victims of sexual violence)

Informal consultations on draft proposals under agenda item 71 and sub-items (a) to (c) and agenda item 72, chaired by H.E. Mr. Jean-Marc Hoscheit (Luxembourg), will be held *today*, 21 November 2007, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 6. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

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Second Committee
Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Andre Omer Siregar (Indonesia), under agenda item 56 (c) (Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of assets of illicit origin and returning such assets, in particular to the countries of origin, consistent with the United Nations Convention against Corruption)

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Facilitator, Mr. Javad Amin-Mansour (Islamic Republic of Iran), under agenda item 54 (g) (Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its twenty-fourth session)

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room E.

Facilitator, Mr. Thomas Gass (Switzerland), under agenda item 59 (b) (Triennial policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system)

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Facilitator, Ms. Hannah Liko (Austria), under agenda item 56 (b) (Science and technology for development)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Facilitator, Mr. Harald Fries (Sweden), under agenda item 61 (Towards global partnerships)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Facilitator, Mr. Laurent Pic (France), under agenda item 54 (i) (Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Facilitator, Mr. Marcus Leroy (Belgium), under agenda item 57 (a) (Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Facilitator, Ms. Melanie Santizo-Sandoval (Guatemala), under agenda item 54 (h) (Sustainable mountain development)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room E.

Facilitator, Mr. Noel González Segura (Mexico), under agenda item 59 (c) (South-South cooperation for development)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Facilitator, Mr. Tony Fautua (New Zealand), under agenda item 54 (b) (Follow-up to and implementation of the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States)

From 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Facilitator, Mr. Eduardo Menez (Philippines), under agenda item 56 (a) (Globalization and interdependence)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Facilitator, Mr. Galetshajwe Lealola Rebagamang (Botswana), under agenda item 58 (a) (Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006))

From 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room C-209B.

Facilitator, Mr. Khaled Elbakly (Egypt), under agenda item 54 (a) (Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 1402 (DC1 Building, 14th floor).

Facilitator, Ms. Lilit Toutkhalian (Armenia), under agenda item 60 (Training and research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in the suite of offices of Conference Room 2.

Facilitator, Mr. Marcus Leroy (Belgium), under agenda item 57 (a) (Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room S-770.

Facilitator, Mr. Zigmārs Zilgalvis (Latvia), under agenda item 58 (c) (Human resources development)

From 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2330 (DC2 Building, 23rd floor).

Facilitator, Ms. Laura Canuto (Italy), under agenda item 54 (f) (Convention on Biological Diversity)

From 4.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

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Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict: breaking the link between the illicit transaction of rough diamonds and armed conflict as a contribution to prevention and settlements of conflicts" (under agenda item 13) (convened by the delegation of the European Community)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Meeting of co-sponsors on the draft resolution on the "Role of the United Nations in promoting a new global human order" (under agenda item 50) (convened by the delegation of Guyana)

10.30–11.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on "Safety and Security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (under agenda item 71) (convened by the delegation of Portugal (on behalf of the European Union))

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the "Role of the United Nations in promoting a new global human order" (under agenda item 50) (convened by the delegation of Guyana)

12 noon–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the protection of migrants (under agenda item 70 (b)) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on "Strengthening emergency relief, rehabilitation, reconstruction and prevention in the aftermath of the Indian Ocean tsunami disaster" (under agenda item 71 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Indonesia)

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the right to development (under agenda item 70 (b)) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Cuba (on behalf of the Non-aligned Movement Working Group))

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Informal consultations on the draft resolution "From rhetoric to reality: a global call for concrete action against racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and the comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action" (under agenda item 68) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Pakistan)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the "Status of internally displaced persons and refugees from Abkhazia, Georgia" (under agenda item 70 (b)) (Third Committee) (convened by the delegation of Georgia)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations (under agenda item 71 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 21 November 2007

JUSCANZ Group (Second Committee experts)

9–9.45 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Meeting of the GCC countries (Third Committee experts) (sponsored by the Permanent Mission of Saudi Arabia)

9–9.45 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on Triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 8

Group of 77 (on Second Committee draft resolutions and on the draft resolution on promotion of new and renewable sources of energy)

10 a.m.–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Group of 77 (on Third Committee matters)

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

2–4 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Group of 77 (on draft resolutions on sustainable development)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea (UNICPOLOS))

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3

Assembly of the States Parties to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court: informal consultations on the ICC draft omnibus resolution (organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Meeting of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Assistance and Support to Victims of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (convened by the Chair (Costa Rica)) (at the experts level)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4

Announcements

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

In accordance with the established practice mandated by the General Assembly, the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management holds informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on terminology issues and the quality of services rendered. The second round of language-specific informational meetings for this year will be held in November, according to the following schedule:

Today, 21 November 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: *Russian (postponed until a later date)*

Today, 21 November, from 3 to 6 p.m.: *Spanish* in Conference Room 8.

United Nations Administrative Tribunal (22 October–21 November 2007)

The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will hold meetings (closed) *today*, 21 November 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., in Suite 625, DC2 Building.

Registration for an additional cycle of UNITAR's Continued IT Education (CITE) Project

The deadline to register for an additional cycle of UNITAR's Continued IT Education (CITE) Project (self-paced, on-line computer skills training for New York-based diplomats) is *today*, 21 November 2007. For further information, please contact Ms. Amy Weesner, ICT Programme UNITAR (tel. 1 (212) 963-3021; e-mail weesner@un.org); or visit the following Web site: <www.unitarny.org/en/cite.html>.

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

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Room S-226

Guest at 12 noon . . . . Ms. Fatou Bensouda, Deputy Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court (updates on the current trials and investigations of the International Criminal Court)

Forthcoming official meetings

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Informal consultations on agenda item 77 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 77 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea) will be held from Monday to Thursday, 26 to 29 November 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8; and on Friday, 30 November, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The 24th meeting of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will be held on *Monday, 26 November 2007,* from *10 a.m. to 1 p.m.* in Conference Room 3. The Committee will take action on draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 31 (International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer spaces); 32 (United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East); and 33 (Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories) (A/C.4/62/L.10, A/C.4/62/L.11, A/C.4/62/L.12, A/C.4/62/L.13, A/C.4/62/L.14, A/C.4/62/L.15, A/C.4/62/L.16, A/C.4/62/L.17[1] and A/C.4/62/L.18).

[1]To be issued.

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Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

The Ad hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East will meet on Tuesday, 4 December 2007, at 11 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Peacebuilding Commission

Second session

The Burundi configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will hold its 2nd meeting, on Monday, 26 November 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold informal consultations on:

The UNDP-UNCDF Partnership Framework, UNCDF Programming and Funding Arrangements and UNCDF cost recovery policy:

Thursday, 29 November 2007 from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room C.

The UNDP's accountability system (accountability framework and oversight policy):

Friday, 7 December 2007, from 10 to 11.30 a.m. in the Economic and Social Chamber.

[Interested delegations are invited to attend.]

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on "Safety and Security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (under agenda item 71) (convened by the delegation of Portugal (on behalf of the European Union))

Monday, 26 November 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D;

Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C; and

Friday, 30 November 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa" (under agenda item 47) (convened by the delegation of the United Republic of Tanzania (on behalf of the African Group))

Tuesday, 27 November 2007, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 3; and

Thursday, 29 November 2007, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Sixth Coordination Meeting on International Migration (organized by the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Monday and Tuesday, 26 and 27 November 2007, from 9.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Hania Zlotnik, Population Division, DESA (tel. 1 (212) 963-3179); or visit the following Web site <www.unmigration.org>.]

Asian Group (monthly meeting)

Monday, 26 November 2007, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Eastern European Group (meeting of Election officers)

Monday, 26 November 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

Tuesday, 27 November 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

UNITAR Peace and Security Series: Briefing on "Children in armed conflict: new resolve to protect the most vulnerable"

Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room D.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Sarah Rosengaertner (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-3021; rosengaertner@un.org).]

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States

Thursday, 29 November 2007, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

United Nations Development Programme (first meeting in the process of consultation with Member States on the *Human Development Report 2008*)

Monday, 17 December 2007, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Forthcoming other activities

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Launch of the report "United Nations arms embargoes: Their impact on arms flows and target behaviour" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Sweden, in cooperation with the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute and the Department of Peace and Conflict Research at Uppsala University (Sweden))

Monday, 26 November 2007, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Anna Pettersson, Permanent Mission of Sweden (tel. 1 (212) 583-2524; e-mail anna.pettersson@foreign.ministry.se).]

Conference on "The positive impact of ICT on the environment and climate change" (organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the Global Alliance for ICT and Development and the AIT Global)

Tuesday, 27 and Wednesday, 28 November 2007, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[For further information, please contact Mr. Robert de Jesus, GAID Secretariat (e-mail dejesus3@un.org).]

Panel discussion on "Smart energy for the twenty-first century" (sponsored by the United States Mission)

Tuesday, 27 November 2007, from 1 to 2.30 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Millie Meyers, United States Mission (tel. 1 (212) 415-4085; e-mail meyersm@state.gov).]

Announcements

First extraordinary session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa (UNCCD)

Delegations are kindly reminded that, as per the notification letter transmitted to Parties on 19 October 2007 and copied to all Permanent and Observer Missions to the United Nations (<www.unccd.int/cop/e-cop8/docs/notif-parties.pdf>), the first extraordinary session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa (UNCCD) will take place at United Nations Headquarters on Monday, 26 November 2007.

Delegations are also reminded to submit the names of their representatives as well as their credentials to the UNCCD Liaison Office (One United Nations Plaza, Room DC1-1170, New York, N.Y. 10017; tel. 1 (917) 367-4081; fax 1 (917) 367-3441; e-mail teixeira2@un.org).

For further information, please visit the Web site of the Convention at <www.unccd.int/cop/e-cop8/menu.php>.

Preparations for the fifty-second session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the fifty-second session of the Commission on the Status of Women (25 February–7 March 2008), delegations are invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Key policy initiatives and innovative approaches to financing for gender equality and the empowerment of women; and (b) Capacity building on gender mainstreaming in relation to financing for gender equality and the empowerment of women. Delegations are requested to submit names indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated and to provide curricula vitae outlining the specific expertise and experience of the proposed candidate in relation to the theme of the panel. Information should be sent to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail mcdougalls@un.org or selcuk@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463), no later than Friday, 30 November 2007. Further details on the panel discussions will be made available from 1 November on the DAW Web site <http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/csw/52sess.htm#interactive>.

General Assembly

List of candidates

Delegations are kindly reminded that the list of candidates (an informal working paper) for the sixty-second session of the General Assembly and other information on elections and candidatures are available on CandiWeb at the following address: <https://secln069.un.org/candiweb>. Instructions to access the Web page can be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-2337 or via e-mail to santomauro@un.org.

Credentials of representatives to the sixty-second session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the sixty-second regular session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (room S-3420F or S-3420S; tel. 1 (212) 963-5358 or 963-5377).

Security Council

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.html>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

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Summary of official meetings

Monday, 19 November 2007

General Assembly

Sixty-second session

53rd plenary meeting

The President, on behalf of the General Assembly, extended his deepest sympathy to the Government and the people of Bangladesh for the tragic loss of life and material damage that have resulted from the recent cyclone.

Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields; follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit: draft resolution (A/62/L.11/Rev.1) . . . . . [48 and 116]

The General Assembly decided to take action on draft resolution A/62/L.11/Rev.1 also under agenda item 54 (Sustainable development).

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/62/L.11/Rev 1 (resolution 62/8).

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda items 48 and 116.

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: report of the Secretary-General (A/62/324, A/62/324/Corr.1 and A/62/324/Corr.2 (in French only)) . . . . . [71]

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(b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions: report of the Secretary-General (A/62/310)

(c) Assistance to the Palestinian people: report of the Secretary-General (A/62/82)

(d) Strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/62/467)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/62/L.12)

Assistance to survivors of the 1994 genocide in Rwanda, particularly orphans, widows and victims of sexual violence: report of the Secretary-General (A/62/310) [72]*: joint debate*

The representative of Ukraine made a statement, in course of which he introduced draft resolution A/62/L.12.

The representative of Portugal (on behalf of the European Union and those countries which aligned themselves with the statement) made a statement.

H.E. Mr. Vladimir Tsalko, Vice-Minister for Emergency Situations of Belarus, made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Saudi Arabia, Australia, Kuwait, Iceland, Switzerland, Peru, India, the Russian Federation and Pakistan.

The observer for Palestine made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Arab Emirates, Canada, Norway, Egypt and China.

54th plenary meeting

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The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 71 and its sub-items (a) to (d) as well as agenda item 72.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Philippines, Lithuania, Thailand, Guatemala, Bangladesh, Kazakhstan, Mexico, Rwanda, South Africa, the United States, Indonesia, Colombia, Djibouti, the Republic of Korea, Japan, Nepal, Brazil, Israel, the Sudan and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela.

The observer of the Observer State of the Holy See made a statement.

Tuesday, 20 November 2007

Security Council

5781st meeting

Protection of civilians in armed conflict

Report of the Secretary-General on the protection of civilians in armed conflict (S/2007/643)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Angola, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Canada, Colombia, Guatemala, Iceland, Israel, Japan, Liechtenstein, Mexico, Nepal, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Portugal, Senegal, Switzerland and Viet Nam, at their request, to participate in the consideration of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. John Holmes, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Angelo Gnaedinger, Director-General of the International Committee of the Red Cross.

The Council began its consideration of the item, and heard a statement by the Secretary-General, H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon.

The Council heard a briefing by Mr. Holmes.

Statements were made by representatives of Belgium, the Russian Federation, China, Panama, the United Kingdom, France, South Africa, Italy, Ghana, Qatar, the United States, Slovakia, Peru and the Congo, as well as by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Indonesia.

The Council heard a statement by Mr. Gneadinger.

The Council heard statements by the representatives of Switzerland, Iceland and New Zealand.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon resumption of the meeting, the Council heard statements by the representatives of Portugal (speaking on behalf of the European Union; the candidate countries Croatia and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia; the countries of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidates Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia, as well as Ukraine, Moldova, Armenia and Georgia, which aligned themselves with this statement), Angola (speaking on behalf of the African Group), Japan, Israel, Senegal, Guatemala, Austria, Nigeria, Australia, Canada, Liechtenstein, Norway, Nepal, Argentina, Mexico, Viet Nam and Colombia.

Mr. Holmes responded to comments.

General Assembly

Sixty-second session

55th plenary meeting

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The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 71 and its sub-items (a) to (d) as well as agenda item 72.

The representative of Nicaragua made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 49/2 of 19 October 1994, the observer for the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 47/4 of 16 October 1992, the observer for the International Organization for Migration made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 48/265 of 24 August 1994, the observer for the Sovereign Military Order of Malta made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 45/6 of 16 October 1990, the observer for the International Committee of the Red Cross made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/62/L.12, as orally corrected (resolution 62/9).

The General Assembly concluded its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 71.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 71 and its sub-items (a) to (c) as well as agenda item 72.

Main Committees

Third Committee

49th–50th meetings

The summary of the 49th and 50th meetings of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2007/226).

Fifth Committee

20th meeting

Report on the activities of the Office of Internal Oversight Services [136]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Procurement Task Force

The Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services introduced the report of that Office (A/62/272).

The Director of the Division for Organizational Development of the Office of Human Resources Management, introduced on behalf of the Under-Secretary-General for Management, the report of the Secretary-General (A/61/603) and a note transmitting the comments of the Secretary-General (A/62/272/Add.1).

The Vice-Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions orally introduced the related report of that Committee.

Statements were made by the representatives of Portugal (on behalf of the European Union; the candidate countries Croatia, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey; the countries of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidates Albania and Montenegro, as well as Ukraine, Moldova and Armenia which aligned themselves with the statement), Pakistan (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the United States and Japan.

The Under-Secretary-General for Management replied to questions raised.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this question.

Financing of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur [161]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Nigeria, Ethiopia, China, Singapore and the Russian Federation.

The Officer-in-Charge of the Peacekeeping Financing Division made a concluding statement.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this item.

General Assembly

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

305th meeting

The Chairman made a statement on a number of activities which had taken place since the previous meeting of the Committee.

Developments in the situation in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem

The Permanent Observer of Palestine made a statement.

Fortieth anniversary of the adoption of Security Council resolution 242 (1967): Consideration and adoption of Committee statement

The Chairman made a statement.

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic, the Permanent Observer of Palestine and the representatives of Cuba, Guinea and Morocco made statements.

The Committee adopted the statement.

Consideration of draft resolutions on the question of Palestine

The Chairman introduced draft resolutions entitled "Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People", "Division for Palestinian Rights of the Secretariat", "Special information programme on the question of Palestine of the Department of Public Information of the Secretariat" and "Peaceful settlement of the question of Palestine".

The representatives of the Syrian Arab Republic and Morocco made statements.

The Committee approved the draft resolutions.

Other matters

The Chairman of the Committee and the Permanent Observer of Palestine made statements.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction. Oslo, 18 September 1997

Accession: Palau (19 November 2007)[1]

International Convention Against the Taking of Hostages. New York, 17 December 1979

Communication to the interpretative declaration made by the Islamic Republic of Iran upon accession: Portugal (19 November 2007)[1]

Communication to the interpretative declaration made by the Islamic Republic of Iran upon accession: United States of America (16 November 2007)[1]

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Protocol on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Seabed Authority. Kingston, 27 March 1998

Ratification: Brazil (16 November 2007)[1]

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer adopted by the Ninth Meeting of the Parties. Montreal, 17 September 1997

Ratification: Benin (16 November 2007)[1]

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Beijing, 3 December 1999

Ratification: Benin (16 November 2007)[1]

Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade. Rotterdam, 10 September 1998

Accession: Croatia (16 November 2007)[1]

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *November 2007* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Angola
H.E. Mr. Ismael Abraão Gaspar Martins

Asian States:
China
H.E. Mr. Wang Guangya

Eastern European States:
Slovenia
H.E. Ms. Sanja Štiglic

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Saint Kitts and Nevis
H.E. Mr. Delano Frank Bart

Western European and other States:
Germany
H.E. Mr. Thomas Matussek

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A/C.3/62/L.20/Rev.1	Item 63 (a) — Advancement of women: advancement of women — Andorra, Argentina, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bolivia, Botswana, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Guatemala, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Jordan, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malawi, Mali, Monaco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, San Marino, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Uganda and United Republic of Tanzania: revised draft resolution — Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women [A C E F R S]
A/C.3/62/L.24/Rev.1	Item 66 (a) — Promotion and protection of the rights of children — Albania, Andorra, Angola, Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Armenia, Austria, Bahamas, Barbados, Belgium, Belize, Benin, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Canada, Cape Verde, Chile, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guinea, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Jamaica, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lesotho, Liberia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Malta, Mauritius, Mexico, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Norway, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, San Marino, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Suriname, Sweden, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Timor-Leste, Trinidad and Tobago, Ukraine, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Uruguay and Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of): revised draft resolution — Rights of the child [A C E F R S]
Security Council	**Documents**
S/2007/10/Add.44	Summary statement by the Secretary-General on matters of which the Security Council is seized and on the stage reached in their consideration [A C E F R S]
S/2007/665	Letter dated 12 November 2007 from the Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S]
S/2007/671	Twenty-fourth report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo [A C E F R S]

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)

S/AC.44/2004/(02)/138 Note verbale dated 30 April 2007 from the Permanent Mission of Mauritius to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee [A C E F R S]

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1737 (2006)

S/AC.50/2007/139 Letter dated 1 November 2007 from the Deputy Permanent Representative of Panama to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee [A C E F R S]

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

Official Records

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Thirty-ninth session

CEDAW/C/SR.806 (B) Meeting held on 2 August 2007, 3 p.m. [A C E F R S]

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Documents

Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

CEDAW/C/BEL/6 Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 18 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women — Combined fifth and sixth periodic reports of States parties — Belgium [A C E F R S]

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